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The undersigned is directed to circulate Monthly Summary of the Ministry of Civil Aviation in regard to the principal activities and the important decisions taken, for the Month of **February**, 2024 for kind information.

(P K\Thakur) Deputy Director General

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Detailed Monthly Report for the month of February, 2024

Important Policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

- 1. Passengers carried by domestic airlines during January 2024 were 131.30 lakh as against 125.42 lakh during the corresponding period of the previous year thereby registering annual growth of 4.69%.
- 2. New Integrated Building at Dehradun Airpot was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 01.02.2024.
- 3. Link Building between Terminal-1 & Terminal-2 of Bhubaneswar Airport was inaugurated.
- 4. Commencement of new RCS airports and routes: Two (02) heliports and Twelve (12) routes have been commenced in the month of February 2024.
- 5. Airports Authority of India has been granted 'Site Clearance' for development of Greenfield airport at Doloo, Cachar, Assam on 22.02.2024.
- 6. An Inter-Ministerial Meeting was held on 29.02.2024 under the chairmanship of Secretary (CA) to discuss air services matters related to Indonesia, Philippines, Seychelles and Thailand wherein it was decided to carry out negotiations with the respective countries.
- 7. Ministry of Civil Aviation granted permission for operation of charter flights from Afghanistan, Bahrain, France, Georgia, Italy, Netherlands, Oman, Russia, Spain, Thailand, United Arab Emirates and Uzbekistan under special circumstances.
- 8. New interim International terminal building at Pune airport handled first international perishable cargo in Feb 2024.
- 9. Air Operator Permit (AOP) were issued to provide Non-Scheduled Air Transport to four (4) operators in Feb 2024.
- 10. Promotions of drone were continued and following achievements were made in previous month:
- a. 1606 Unique Identification Number (UIN) were issued in the month of February 2024.
- b. 330 Remote Pilot Certificates (RPC) were issued in the month of February 2024
- c. Three new Type Certificate issued during the month of February 2024.
- 11. In the current FY 2023-24 (till 31 Jan., 2024), 27.38 Lakh MT (Dom+Int'l) tonnage of Air Cargo has been handled at Indian airports
- 12. Twenty (20) Aircraft leasing entities are registered with International Financial Services Centers Authority (IFSCA) IFSCA as on 29 February, 2024. Additionally, seven (07) other entities have been provisional registered for Aircraft Operating Lease.

13. 149 Aviation Assets including 30 aircraft, 63 aircraft engines and 56 ground support equipment have been leased by aircraft leasing entities registered from GIFT IFSC as of 29 Feb., 2024.

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA)

- A. The following Civil Aviation Requirement (CAR) in important area has been revised by DGCA during the month of February, 2024:
 - 1. CAR SECTION 8 SERIES H PART II w.e.f 23 Feb 2024: The CAR deals with Flight Crew Training and Qualification Requirements for Commercial Helicopter Operations.

B. 'Type Certificate' for Drones have been issued:

- (i) Type Certificate' has been issued to UAS Model 'BEETLE 10' of the manufacturer M/s Aerosight Technologies Private Limited.
- (ii) Type Certificate' has been issued to UAS Model 'Kaushalya Drone' of the manufacturer M/s Kushal Incubation And Innovation Foundation.
- (iii) Type Certificate' has been issued to UAS Model 'SNDCX005HHX8' of the manufacturer M/s Scandron Pvt Ltd.

C. Remote Pilot Training Organization (RPTO) Authorizations Issued:

- i. M/s Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati (RPTO Authorization No.: 03/2024)
- ii. M/s SPH Aviation Private Limited, Sirsa (RPTO Authorization No.: 04/2024)
- iii. M/s DroneTech Solution Private Limited, Fatehgardh Sahib(RPTO Authorization No.: 05/2024)
- iv. M/s Vision Leap Technologies, Solan, HP(RPTO Authorization No.: 06/2024)

D. Various Checks/ Approvals

- 1. Approval for Dy. CFI = 01
- 2. Surveillance = 02
- 3. Standarisation Check CFI/Dy. CFI = 02 Candidates
- 4. Proficiency Check = 03 Candidates
- 5. Additional approval for ground classes = 01
- 6. Oral exam conducted for Dy. CFI/CFI/CGI = 09 Candidates

- E. (i) 2519 Total No. of flight clearances issued (including tourist charter flights)
 - (ii) 13 No. of Tourist Charter flight clearances issued
 - . (iii) 04 No. of New AOP (Air Operator Permit) issued to provide Non-Scheduled Air Transport Service
 - (iv)04 No. of AOP renewed (Non-Scheduled Operator)
 - (v) 01 No. of operating permit (State Govt. / PSU) renewed
 - (v) 37 No. of permissions issued to import/Local Acquisition of aircraft
 - (vi) 19 No. of aircraft endorsed on AOC of Scheduled Operator
- F. 1151 Licenses/Ratings were issued including 19 FATA (initial), 6 FATA (Extension) and 403 Endorsements including open rating.
- G. Type Acceptance/Authorisation issued:
 - i. Type Acceptance has been granted to following Contracting State Type Certificates for aeronautical product for operation of aircraft in India:
 - i. Letter of Type Acceptance of EASA TCDS No. EASA.R.005 Issue: 24 dated 12.04.2022 issued to M/s Leonardo S.p.A. for Leonardo S.p.A. helicopter model A109S.
 - ii. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA TCDS No. P58GL, Revision No. 14 dated 13.12.2023 issued to M/s TEXTRON AVIATION INC. for McCauley Propeller Systems Propeller Model B3D36C442.
 - iii. Letter of Type Acceptance of EASA TCDS No. EASA.E.095 Issue 3 dated 16.12.2000 issued to M/s Safran Helicopter Engine for Safran Helicopter Engines model: ARRANO 1A.
 - ii. Type Acceptance has been granted to following Contracting State Supplemental Type Certificates for aeronautical product for operation of aircraft in India:
- i. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC ST02002WI dated 16/12/2022 issued to M/s Rockwell Collins Inc for replacement of LRA-900 Low Range Radio Altimeters with upgraded LRA-900 units for improved RF immunity to 5G cellular data interference on Boeing aircraft model B 737-8200.
- ii. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC ST04457CH dated 15/04/2021 issued to M/s LEARJET INC. for Installation of a Viasat Ka Terminal on BOMBARDIER INC aircraft model BD-100-1A10.
- iii. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC ST02002WI dated 16/12/2022 to M/s Rockwell Collins Inc for replacement of LRA-900 Low Range Radio

- Altimeters with upgraded LRA-900 units for improved RF immunity to 5G cellular data interference on Boeing Aircraft Model 737-8.
- iv. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC SA4622SW dated 07/03.2016 to M/s JLC Aeronautical LLC for Installation of Air Conditioning System on Viking Air Ltd. aircraft model DHC-6-400.
- v. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC SR00532SE dated 30.10.2000 issued to M/s Certified Technology for Installation of Quick Release Door Pins on Bell helicopter model Bell 407.
- vi. Letter of Type Acceptance of FAA STC SR09658RC dated 06/09/2023 issued to M/s BLR Aerospace LLC. for installation of "BLR FASTFIN System" on AS350B3 Helicopter

BUREAU OF CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY (BCAS)

- i. Security Monitoring/surprise checks carried out:- 87
- ii. Security tests carried out to test the efficiency of security system :- 62
- iii. Security survey of airports carried out:- 03
- iv. Security audit of airports carried out: 02
- v. Security vetting of airports carried out:- 71
- vi. 34 Aviation security training programme conducted for persons: 3067
- vii. Approval of security programme accorded to SOP/Private/NSOP/ASP/Concessionaire/Catering/RA/FFSP/GHA/FTO: **758**

AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (AAI)

A. Airport Service Quality (ASQ) Survey

During February 2024, ASQ Survey at 14 AAI airports was conducted successfully.

B. Inauguration of Building/ Facilities/Awards etc.:

• Inauguration of Terminal building, Dehradun

Inaugurated by: Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttarakhand

Date: 14.02.2024

C. Work Completed:

• Re-carpeting and merging of Existing Runway- 05 (Flexible) work with new Rigid Runway pavement and other allied work at Dibrugarh Airport.

Award cost: Rs. 40.86 cr.

Date of Completion: 29.02.2024

• Construction of hangar, associated apron and link taxi & auxiliary works at Dibrugarh Airport.

SH: Construction of balance/ part building work & auxiliary works at Dibrugarh Airport.

SH: Construction of balance / part pavement work associated with apron and link taxiway at Dibrugarh Airport.

Award cost: Rs. 9.64 cr.

Date of Completion: 29.02.2024

 Upgradation of CAT-I lighting system to CAT-II lighting system at Swami Vivekanand International Airport, Raipur.

Award cost: Rs. 13.69 cr.

Date of Completion: 15.02.2024

D. Work awarded for:

 Development of additional RESA on either end on Runway 10-28 at Calicut Airport.

SH: Construction of embankment with slope protection, drainage system and associated works for additional RESA on either end on Runway 10-28.

Date of award: 19.02.2024 Award cost: Rs 323.98 Cr.

E. Tender Invited for:

• Development of New Civil Enclave at Thoise (Ladakh).

SH: Architectural & Engineering Consultancy Services for Construction of New Terminal Building, Ancillary Building, Car Parking, City Side Development & other associated works at Civil Enclave at Thoise

Estimate cost: Rs. 130.70 Cr.

Last date of submission of bid: 01.03.2024

F. AA&ES accorded for:

 Extension of Runway, New Domestic Terminal Building with Parking, Apron with GSE Area, Link Taxi, ATC Tower Cum Technical Block & Fire Station, Isolation Bay and Miscellaneous Works at Keshod Airport.

Date: 02.02,2024

AA&ES Cost (In cr.): Rs. 363.10 Cr.

COMMISSION OF RAILWAY SAFETY (CRS)

- A. 32 statutory inspections of Network Expansion related work of Doubling / Multiple Lines / New Lines / Gauge Conversion for a length of 433.28 kms were done by the Commissioners and authorizations issued, thus making the cumulative total of these works during the year 2023-24 to 2305.27 kms.
- B. 157 Minor Works were sanctioned for Railway Board's sanction.
